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Hello all,

EPA added the Bradford Island site (Site) to the National Priorities List (NPL) on March 16, 2022. USACE recently awarded a contract to Balcom Environmental Services (Balcom) to assist the agency with public involvement under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and the National Contingency Plan (NCP).

Balcom, and its subconsultant Longnecker and Associates (L&A), will assist in outreach to federal, state, tribal, local, and non-governmental organizations, as well as the general public, to assess interest in the Site. USACE will use any feedback to update the Site's Community Involvement Plan (CIP) and, as appropriate, facilitate establishing a Community Advisory Group (CAG).

The CAG will enable USACE to continue involving governmental agencies, tribal representatives, stakeholders, interested groups, and members of the public in the CERCLA process, and enable USACE and EPA to provide regular project updates. USACE will accommodate both general and technical discussion at CAG or other public meetings. Information provided to the public or developed by the CAG will also be available to the public through the Bradford Island administrative record file.

USACE will also continue communicating with tribes on matters dealing with the Columbia River and having government-to-government consultations separately, as requested for this CERCLA project.

USACE looks forward to continuing to receive your input on the Bradford Island response actions and to seeing you at the next public meeting, recently announced to be taking place virtually on May 12th from 5:30 – 7:00 pm PST (<https://www.nwp.usace.army.mil/Media/News-Releases/Article/3018709/corps-to-host-public-meeting-on-bradford-island-cleanup/>). Rest assured that your involvement continues to be valued along with all interested agencies, groups, and members of the public, as USACE proceeds with response actions at Bradford Island.

Portland District